



Kids' Conference 2018

kids teaching teachers



Presenter and Facilitator Guide

Key Dates 2018

Pre-conference Workshops with Cultural Infusion

Tuesday 14 August 2018
MoAD (Museum of
Australian Democracy
Canberra)-Bookings open
19th June till 31st July

Tuesday 28 August 2018 The
Royal Society of
Victoria
Melbourne - Bookings open
25th June till 7th August

10th September – Conference Registrations open
31st October – Presenter Registration deadline
11th November – Interstate and International
presenters' pre-recorded video submission deadline

20 November 2018 - Kids' Conference
ACU, Melbourne



**Our hosts 2018 : Kids' Conference Australian Catholic University Melbourne Campus
Workshops: The Royal Society of Victoria and the Museum of Australian Democracy, Canberra**

For Presenters

The Kids' Conference provides primary and secondary students with the opportunity to present innovative projects which draw on new and emerging technologies.

Students can present solo or in small groups

If you are looking for some additional support for your project team we have two pre-conference workshops for you and your teacher / facilitator to come to. The workshops aim to build skills on project facilitation, team development and presenting your ideas to a wider audience. You also get a chance to network with other students.

If you have an innovative idea which you think is also new way of learning or sharing your project, the first step is to find a teacher or facilitator. Ask them how they can support developing your idea to a level where it's ready to present at the Kids' Conference in November.

Your idea could have been developed inside or outside school. They should be original. Once your idea and project gets going, think about how you can explore and present or demonstrate your idea. Use the guide on the next page as a prompt to get started.

The Kids' Conference is not looking for presentations of fully formed solutions but we want to be sure that you are recognized for your original idea and your approach to research. We'd like you to also describe how you tackled any challenges and what you learned from the process. All presenters receive a certificate of participation and have an opportunity to network with fellow students.



For Teacher-Facilitators

The Kids' Conference promotes student voice and enables student-led learning. The conference gives students an opportunity to share their learning process and creative problem solving with their peers, teachers and other leaders in education.

In 2017 the Kids' Conference brought the disciplines of Science and English together with Geography and History. We also support interdisciplinary approaches to these disciplines, which explore new and emerging digital technologies in a way which could enhance learning for others.

The Kids' Conference encourages school age students of all abilities to share their creativity and insights in how they engage with technology to enhance their disciplinary and interdisciplinary learning and bring their ideas to life.

We support an open, non-competitive environment and encourage students to also share their challenges and how they dealt with barriers and obstacles encountered as part of their learning.

We aim to enable teachers to facilitate student projects and bring their original ideas to a wider audience. This year we are holding two pre-conference workshops to support teacher facilitation and student team development.

KIDS' CONFERENCE 2018:

NOMINATING PRESENTERS & REGISTRATIONS

Presenters must be nominated and registered for the Kids' Conference by a teacher associated with the school where the student is enrolled or by a person nominated by the school with a suitable working with children clearance.

Student presenters must be nominated by 31 October 2018.

General registrations are open via the ACU Website from 10 September 2018.



KIDS' CONFERENCE 2018:

Pre-Conference Workshops

**Calling all interested Kids' Conference 2018 participants
Bring your ideas and teachers to a Facilitator /
Presenters Team pre-conference workshop on**

**Tuesday 28th August 2018
The Royal Society of Victoria,
Melbourne**

**Tuesday 14th August 2018 MoAD
(Museum of Australian Democracy,
Canberra)**



Preparing for the Kids' Conference

Some points to consider when developing and presenting your project



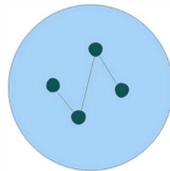
Your idea

Which subject interests you the most?
What new ideas do you have about the subject?
Who can you work with to help with your idea?



Develop your idea further

What did you find out that was new?
What did you discover that was unexpected?
How did you deal with the challenges?



Your process

What information do you need?
Who can help you?
What resources do you need?



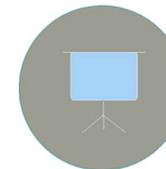
Preparing your presentation

How will you explain your idea?
What will interest the audience the most?
What can you demonstrate that's surprising?



Your research & demo tools

What tools can you use to help with your project?
What tools can help to demonstrate your idea?
Can you use some new tools for your presentation?



Ready to present

Who will present which part of your presentation? Can you give the demo/presentation in 10 minutes? Can you share some challenges and what you learned? Can you answer some questions?

The Kids' Conference greatly values all the ideas and contributions to the conference. Your work and contributions remain your material. However we expect all presentations to be shared via the Kids' Conference website. From 2018 we aim to publish presentations with a Digital Object Identifier (DOI) which formally links the material to all students as authors. This will also recognise the contributions of project facilitators and their schools to the shared discourse on learning and education through the conference. (We will also be retrospectively publishing contributions from earlier conferences.)

THE KIDS' CONFERENCE

ON THE DAY - PRESENTERS & FACILITATORS

All student presenters must be accompanied to the Conference by a teacher or a nominated representative of the school.

On the day teachers / facilitators are encouraged to introduce their students and 'be a back stop' for support if needed. The presentation should match the students' abilities and allow the students to lead throughout.

Students presenting should also briefly explain their creative learning experience and problem solving processes.

The Kids' Conference is a supportive environment and all delegates are interested in learning directly from the students. Students should feel comfortable and well prepared to present at the Conference but we value diversity, innovation and originality. For this reason group contributions are positively encouraged.

If any presenters have special requirements we will make every effort to accommodate them.

Mentorship and Outreach:

In 2018 we will be running two pre-conference workshops on Tuesday 14 August hosted by The Museum of Australian Democracy, Canberra and Tuesday 28 August hosted by The Royal Society of Victoria. The workshops will be facilitated by Cultural Infusion. More information online.

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PRE-RECORDED PRESENTATIONS FOR REMOTE, INTERSTATE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

International, remote regional and interstate students may also present their projects as virtual presenters via a pre-recorded video - applying their chosen technology.

Virtual presenters are required to include a short "Making Of" section where students explain and share their insights about how they developed the project.

If teachers would like to nominate a student(s) to present virtually (international/ interstate students, remote regional students), please complete the online nomination form by 31 October 2018. Places may be limited in 2018 so early nominations are encouraged.

After registrations are confirmed, virtual presenters using pre-recorded video, are asked to upload their presentation to the Kids' Cloud by 11th November 2018 – details of the upload link will be provided closer to the Conference date.

If presenters have special requirements – eg software uploads – please contact us and discuss your requirements.

*We look forward to welcoming you all to the
Kids' Conference 2018.
Feel free to get in touch with us if you have any questions:*

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